

Iowa Community Colleges Fiscal Year 2007 Certified Budget Report

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Iowa Department of Education
Division of Community Colleges and Workforce Preparation





- Chapter 24 of the Code of Iowa
 - Requires the community colleges to publish a notice of public hearing at least 10 day prior to the budget hearing.
 - Requires the community colleges to file the approved budget with controlling county auditor by March 15th.





- Department of Education
 - Requires the community colleges to submit their approved budgets by March 31st.
 - Requires the community colleges to submit answers to specific questions that give the State Board of Education insight to current issues affecting the community colleges.
 - Compiles the fifteen community college certified budgets into one report to be submitted to the State Board of Education.





- Code of Iowa, Chapter 260C.17
 - Requires the State Board of Education to approve the Certified Budgets of the community colleges prior to June 1st.

Certified Budget



- > Items included on the Certified Budget:
 - Resources
 - ✓ Tuition and Fees
 - ✓ State General Aid
 - Expenditures
 - ✓ Liberal Arts and Sciences
 - ✓ Vocational and Technical
 - ✓ Salaries and Benefits
 - Fund Balance
 - ✓ Beginning
 - ✓ Ending

Certified Budget



- Unknown at time of budget certification:
 - Revenues
 - ✓ State General Aid
 - ✓ Tuition and Fees
 - ✓ Approval of General Obligation Bond Issuance
 - Expenditures
 - ✓ Health Insurance Costs
 - ✓ Salary Negotiations





- Narrative Questions:
 - What are your current and future infrastructure needs?
 - Please describe your ability or inability to keep current with technology.
 - Please describe your greatest challenges regarding human resources. Please include projections on turnover of employees, including short-term and longterm estimates on retirements at your college.

What are your current and future infrastructure needs?



- > Sidewalks
- > HVAC systems
- > Roofs
- Parking lots
- > Streets
- > Sewer and water lines
- Underground cabling
- Gas and electrical service lines.

- Repair of exterior brick
- Wireless Internet
- Dormitory space
- > Classroom space
- Multi-use space for students
- ADA compliance issues

Please describe your ability or inability to keep current with technology.



- Difficult to maintain the purchase/use/replace cycle.
- Upgrades made have been paid for utilizing capital loan notes that require repayment over five years.
- Technology in vocational technical instructional areas must be kept current to ensure students are being trained in the latest industry practices.

Please describe your greatest challenges regarding human resources.



- Benefit costs and coverage are continued issues.
- Ability to find qualified faculty members willing to accept jobs at pay lower than business/industry offers.
- > Turnover rates likely to increase due to aging of current staff.

Questions?

